1   I CLAIM:

2   1.   A camera comprising:

3   an image acquiring means;

4   equipment that determines a physical position;

5   a database indicating municipalities; and

6   an application that uses the database, determines in which municipality the

7   physical position is located and associates data indicating the municipality with an image

8   acquired by the image acquiring means.

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10   2.   The camera of Claim 1 wherein the image acquiring means, the equipment

11   that determines a physical position, the database, and the application are all physically

12   located in a single housing.

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14   3.   The camera of Claim 1 wherein the equipment that determines a physical

15   position is a GPS unit.

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17   4.   The camera of Claim 1 wherein the database associates coordinates with

18   municipalities.

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20   5.   The camera of Claim 1 wherein municipalities includes cities, towns, and

21   villages.

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23   6.   The camera of Claim 1 wherein the application associates data indicating a

24   state with the image acquired by the image acquiring means.

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26   7.   The camera of Claim 1 wherein the database also indicates states.

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1   8.   A method of operation for photography comprising:

2   acquiring an image with a camera;

3   with position determining equipment associated with the camera, acquiring

4   information indicating a position associated with the camera;

5   determining a municipality in which the position is located; and

6   associating data indicating the municipality with the image.

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8   9.   The method of Claim 8 wherein the position determining equipment

9   comprises a GPS unit.

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11   10.   The method of Claim 8 wherein the position determining equipment is

12   installed in the camera.

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14   11.   The method of Claim 8 wherein the position is expressed as geographic

15   coordinates.

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17   12.   The method of Claim 8 wherein the municipality is determined using a

18   geographic database installed in the camera.

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20   13.   The method of Claim 8 further comprising:

21   adding text indicating the municipality to the image.

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23   14.   The method of Claim 8 further comprising:

24   printing the image with text indicating the municipality in the image.

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26   15.   The method of Claim 8 wherein the municipality in which the position is

27   located is determined using a remotely located geographic database.

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1   16.   A method of operation for photography comprising:

2   using a database located with a camera, associating data indicating a municipality

3 with an image taken by the camera; and

4   displaying the image with text indicating the municipality in the image.

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6   17.   The method of Claim 16 further comprising:

7   using a position determining unit associated with the camera to determine a

8 position of the camera when the image is taken; and

9   with the database, using the position to determine the municipality.

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11   18.   The method of Claim 17 wherein the position determining unit includes a

12 GPS unit.

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14   19.   The method of Claim 17 wherein the position is expressed as geographic

15 coordinates.

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17   20.   The method of Claim 16 further comprising:

18   printing the image with text indicating the municipality in the image.

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20   21.   A method for associating meaningful location information with

21 photographs comprising:

22   taking a photograph;

23   acquiring position information when the photograph is taken;

24   associating the position information with a data representation of the photograph;

25   using a geographic database to determine a municipality in which the position is

26 located; and

27   associating text indicating the municipality with the picture.

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29   22.   The system of Claim 21 wherein the photograph is taken with a phone

30 equipped with a camera as a feature.

1   23.   The method of Claim 21 wherein the geographic database is located on a

2   remotely located server.

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4   24.   The method of Claim 23 further comprising:

5   connecting a camera that contains the data representation of the photograph to a

6   computing platform; and

7   using the computing platform to communicate over a data network with the

8   remotely located server.

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